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Whereas, low pathogenicity avian influenza, H5N1 subtype, was confirmed in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia and pursuant to the authority of Chapter 27 of Title 3.1 of the Code of Virginia, § 3.1-724, on July 9, 2007, I issued an order that no poultry litter, manure, or bedding removed from poultry houses may be land-applied at any location or moved from the farm of origin in the following counties: Albemarle, Alleghany, Augusta, Bath, Clarke, Culpeper, Frederick, Greene, Highland, Madison, Orange, Page, Rappahannock, Rockbridge, Rockingham, Shenandoah, and Warren from July 9, 2007 through July 30, 2007.

Whereas intense surveillance testing of flocks in the 17 county region and of flocks outside the region that are associated with the Shenandoah Valley region has failed to detect any other infected flocks, as flocks are cleared by negative test results, the movement of poultry litter on or off of any poultry farm that is more than two miles from the infected farm may resume effective today, July 19, 2007.

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